# MEASURE I

# Working for the City of Highland



## San Bernardino County's half-cent transportation sales tax

Measure I Revenue, The First 10 Years Local Streets, Roads Only

**1990-91:** \$311,809

**1991-92:** \$291,757

**1992-93:** \$716,847

**1993-94:** \$280,862

**1994-95:** \$331,856

**1995-96:** \$374,036

**1996-97:** \$366,762

**1997-98:** \$442,131

**1998-99:** \$619,360

**1999-00:** \$701,673

Total: \$4,437,093

Figures include interest income





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\*\*Widening and maintaining city streets, installing traffic signals and upgrading sidewalks have been transportation priorities for the City of Highland. Measure I has been our primary funding source for these projects, which are necessary for the safety and quality of life for our residents.\*\*

-- Brad Sundquist, Councilmember, Member, SANBAG Board of Directors

Adopted by San Bernardino County voters in 1989, Measure I is a major source of revenue for transportation improvements in the City of Highland. This 20-year half-cent sales tax has provided \$4.4 million for Highland's streets and roads during the first 10 years. Local officials make decisions about the allocation of these funds.

Additional Measure I funds -- a total of \$406 million -- have been pooled by all of the cities and unincorporated areas in the valley region of San Bernardino County. These pooled funds support freeway improvements, Metrolink trains, Omnitrans subsidies for elderly and disabled riders, major streets that serve as transportation arteries, ridesharing programs, landscaping and traffic management. Measure I clearly is working for the City of Highland!

## City of Highland projects: A decade in review

easure I funds received each year by
the City of Highland are designated
for local streets and roads. Some of
these projects include:

- Widening of Base Line from Palm Avenue to State Route 30, 1993 (\$400,000)
- Widening of Victoria Avenue from 6th Street to Base Line, 1992 (\$459,953)
- Widening of Victoria Avenue from Highland Avenue to Base Line, 2000 (\$146,968)
- Extension and widening of Central Avenue from 3rd Street to 9th Street, 1997 (\$690,923)
- Widening of 9th Street and Lankershim Avenue, 1999 (\$89,121)
- Sidewalk and street overlay on Church Avenue from 5th Street to Base Line, 1999 (\$239,564)

- Street overlay and bicycle lane on Base Line and Palm Avenue, 1997 (\$231,058)
- Installation of new traffic signal on Base Line and McKinley Street, 1996 (\$84,636)
- Upgrades to traffic signals at Pacific Street/ Victoria Avenue, 9th Street/Sterling Avenue, and 9th Street/Del Rosa Avenue, 1995 (\$25,482)
- Citywide street sign replacement, 1993 (\$33,379)
- Citywide sidewalk repairs, 1994 (\$79,878)
- Citywide signal maintenance, 1996 (\$101,286)
- Citywide pavement rehabilitation, overlay and slurry seal, 1995-2000 (\$1,646,691)

Please see reverse side for information about projects funded by pooled Measure I revenue.



## SB Valley pools funds to support regional projects

Cities and unincorporated regions in the valley portion of San Bernardino County -- all areas except the deserts and mountains -- combine most of their Measure I funds for transportation projects that benefit all of the valley communities. Pooling

funds allows these communities to maximize their resources. Projects include freeways, Metrolink, Omnitrans, major streets, and traffic management/environmental efforts, such as congestion relief, landscaping and clean fuels.

### ■ Freeway improvement projects

As the Inland Empire continues to grow, so does the need for efficient freeway systems. Measure I is the local funding source for building new freeways and widening existing routes. In most cases, Caltrans serves as a partner for these construction projects.

The largest freeway project funded by Measure I is the construction of State Route 210, also known as the Foothill Freeway, which will cover 28.2 miles between La Verne and San Bernardino. About 23 miles of the new freeway are in San Bernardino County. A six-mile portion of State Route 210 opened in August 2001 in Rancho Cucamonga and Fontana. An additional 14 miles is under construction now in Rancho Cucamonga, Upland, Claremont and La Verne and will be complete in fall 2002. Construction on portions east of Fontana through Rialto and San Bernardino will begin in early 2003.

Other major projects have included:

■ Widening and adding carpool lanes to 10 miles of

State Route 60 between the Los Angeles County line and Interstate 15. This was completed in 1997.

- Building the new State Route 71 in Chino and Chino Hills, which transformed a two-lane highway to eight lanes of efficient freeway. State Route 71 opened to traffic in 1997.
- Constructing 9.9 miles of carpool lanes on Interstate 10 through Montclair and Ontario, which was finished in 2000.

#### Coming soon ...

Upcoming Measure I projects are the construction of a 3.7-mile truck-climbing lane on Interstate 10 between Redlands and Yucaipa; the widening of 2.5 miles of Interstate 10 in downtown Redlands; the widening of six miles of Interstate 215 in downtown San Bernardino; and environmental analysis for the widening of four miles of Interstate 215 in Colton and Grand Terrace.

#### Metrolink train service

The passage of Measure I in 1989 laid the tracks for the Metrolink commuter rail service. Metrolink serves San Bernardino County and Southern California by providing reliable, fast, clean transportation to jobs and entertainment centers.

Measure I funded the purchase of railroad right-ofway, track rights, station construction, track and signal improvements and locomotive and passenger cars. Ongoing operational costs are funded by fares.

The San Bernardino-Los Angeles line opened in October 1992, and the Inland Empire-Orange County line began operating in October 1995.

#### Traffic management/environmental enhancement activities

Measure I supports several programs to manage traffic and improve the local environment. These include a countywide Congestion Management Program to track and reduce freeway and street congestion, traffic forecasting and development of non-potable water sources to irrigate freeway landscaping. To improve air quality, Measure I also funds traffic signal synchronization planning for the network of major arterial streets, rideshare incentives and clean fuel vehicle programs.

### Measure I Revenue, The First 10 Years SB Valley Pooled Projects

Freeways: \$269,878,700
 Major Streets: \$58,678,057
 Metrolink: \$39,101,886

• Omnitrans: \$29,313,802

Traffic management/ environmental: \$9,788,086

Total: \$406,760,531

#### Omnitrans support

Measure I provides discounts to elderly and disabled Omnitrans riders. Passengers on fixed routes receive a five-cent fare reduction, and those using Yucaipa's Dial-a-Ride service receive a 25-cent discount. A large portion of the Measure I funds also subsidize fares and operating expenses for the curbside Access service for disabled users.

#### Arterial streets

Arterial streets are those that function as major thoroughfares or "arteries" for the region.

Measure I funds support needed widening and bridge improvements on these streets.

Examples of streets improved by Measure I are: Beryl, Milliken and Haven in Rancho Cucamonga; Riverside and Easton in Rialto; Benson, Campus and Mountain in Upland; Pepper in Colton; Sierra in Fontana; Euclid in Chino; Baseline in Highland; Butterfield in Chino Hills; Monte Vista in Montclair; and E Street in San Bernardino.